AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR CARDIAC RHYTHM MANAGEMENT WITH SYNCHRONIZED PACING PROTECTION Title:

PERIOD

REMARKS

The above amendments are in conformance with the remarks made by Applicant's undersigned attorney during a telephonic interview with the Examiner on June 11, 2003.

CONCLUSION

Claims 1-24 are presently pending, with claims 1, 7, 11, 16, and 21 having been amended Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone applicant's attorney (847-432-7302) to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

Respectfully submitted,

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